GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AGANA, GUAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 66-20

WHEREAS, under the Health and Sanitation Law,
Section 9500.4, Government Code, authorizes the Director of
Public Health and Welfare to prescribe rules and regulations,
which rules and regulations shall be subject to the approval
of the Governor and must be promulgated by Executive Order:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the foregoing, the attached rules and regulations designated:

"Department of Public Health and Welfare.
Rules and Regulations

for

Operation of the Taguag Memorial Cemetery" are hereby approved and promulgated by Executive Order and shall be in force and effect from 12:01 a.m. July 1, 1966.

Signed at Agana, Guam, this 8th day of December, 1966.

MANUEL F. L. GUERRERO

Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

DENVER DICKERSON Secretary of Guam DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR
OPERATION OF THE TAGUAG MEMORIAL CEMETERY

Public Law 8-121, enacted on the 9th day of March, 1966, established a public cemetery to be situated at an area formerly occupied by the El Patio Club in the municipality of Piti, Guam.

The cemetery will be operated under the supervision of the Director of Public Health and Welfare, Government of Guam, in accordance with Public Law 109, Third Guam Legislature, and shall be governed by the following rules and regulations and such additional rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary by the Director:

I. GENERAL

- 1. For purposes of identification, the cemetery shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Taguag Memorial Cemetery."
- 2. No dead human remains will be accepted for burial unless a Burial-Transit Permit has been issued by the Office of Vital Statistics, Department of Public Health and Welfare.
- 3. Burial shall take place no later than sunset nor earlier than sunrise unless a special written permission is granted by the Director.

II. LOT LOCATION AND PLOT FEE

1. The cemetery grounds shall be subdivided into ten feet six inches by six feet six

- inches (10 6 x 6 6) lots which will provide a three-foot spacing between graves in each direction.
- 2. Each lot shall be numbered and burial assignments will be made in a consecutive order without reference to race, creed, color or religion.
- 3. For the purpose of space conservation the cemetery shall provide a space for children with six feet six inches by five feet (6'6" x 5') lots which will provide a three-foot spacing between graves in each direction.
- 4. A plot fee shall be established by the Director of Public Health and Welfare to defray the cost of digging the grave as well as general maintenance of the grounds.
- 5. Payment of the plot fee shall be made to the Office of Vital Statistics prior to the issuance of each burial permit.
- 6. The Vital Statistics Section shall keep a current and accurate map and plot record showing the location of each burial.

III. GRAVE PREPARATION

 Upon receipt of payment of the plot fee and issuance of the burial permit, the Chief of the Vital Statistics Section

- will make arrangement with the Department of Public Works to dig the grave.
- 2. Each grave shall be not less than six feet (6') in depth and shall be at least one foot (1') larger in width and length than the coffin.
- 3. Only one body shall be buried in each grave.
- 4. Upon completion of the burial ceremony the Department of Public Works shall backfill each grave or supervise such backfilling if members of the bereaved family desire to do so.
- 5. No dead body shall be disinterred or removed from the cemetery or its place of burial, for reburial or otherwise, without a permit from the Director.

IV. CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

- 1. The cemetery shall be enclosed by a fence with a gate which shall be kept locked except at such times as a burial is actually being performed. A pedestrain gate will, however, provide for public access between the hours of sunrise and sunset.
- 2. The Parks and Grounds of the Department of Public Works will provide periodic care of the grounds to cut the grass and other vegetation.
- 3. To facilitate ground maintenance, a uniform flush mounted grave marker

twelve inches by eighteen inches
(12" x 18") may be installed by the
bereaved family and so placed that
the top edge of each marker is
twenty-four inches (24") from the
"head" end of the lot. Installation
must receive prior approval of
the Director.

4. In order to facilitate maintenance of the grass, no permanent plants will be permitted on the individual lots although a recessed vase or pot may be installed flush with the ground surface in front of each grave marker to facilitate placement of flowers.

Dates this 24 day of June, 1966.

RALPH B. HOGAN
Director of Public Health
and Welfare